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No Authority to Issue Ludgate Lease—Scott Act by Provinces.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, May 10.—Sir Charles Tupper was told by Premier Laurier that it is not the intention of the government this session to ask parliament to provide for the representation of Yukon territory in the Commons.

Dr. Borden, answering a question by Sir Charles Tupper, said that prior to the departure of government freight for Fort Selkirk from Seattle he was not advised that the Boston and Alaska Steamship Company was bankrupt; that he did satisfy himself by careful inquiries that the company could perform its contract; that he took no security for such performance, and that no money was paid to the company on behalf of the government, on account of that contract.

Mr. Morrison was told by Premier Laurier that no claim for damages has been made upon the government by or on behalf of the British Yukon Mining, Trading and Transportation Company. Col. Prior said a number of men in British Columbia had received liquor licenses for Yukon from Mr. Ogilvie, which had been disallowed by the government. These men had invested large sums of money in purchasing supplies, and he thought they ought to know at once whether they were to be allowed to take the liquor in or not.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said he was not in a position to answer the question, but would do so at the next sitting of the house.

Joint High Commission.

Sir Charles Tupper asked if the government had any information in regard to the rumor from Washington that the Anglo-American joint high commission would not meet in August, according to agreement.

The Premier—"I have not yet heard anything in regard to the rumor to which the honorable gentleman alludes. So far as my information goes, there is no foundation for it."

Chaos in the Franchise.

Clarke Wallace asked whether the report that the lists would be used in the Winnipeg election was correct. The Premier replied that an officer had been sent to Winnipeg to make a new list.

Scott Act by Provinces.

The efforts of the parliamentary committee of prohibitionists have resulted in a resolution, of which Mr. Flinn gives notice to-night. It provides that a prohibitory law may come into force in any province or territory after having been accepted by a majority of qualified electors, and remain in force for four years, or until a majority of the electors vote for its repeal. In order to avoid expense voting is to take place at the general federal election.

The Comstock Push.

A lively scene occurred in the house today when the lists would be used in the Winnipeg election was correct. The Premier replied that an officer had been sent to Winnipeg to make a new list.

A Tardy Discovery.

The action of the provincial authorities of British Columbia in laying claim to the ownership of Deadman's Island has complicated the matter. Since the provincial claim has been made, old records have been searched, and it appears that all the military and naval reserves in British Columbia are the property of the Imperial government, instead of either the Dominion or the province. It is said that when British Columbia was given responsible government the lands known as military and naval reserves were not transferred to the province, nor have they since been transferred to the Dominion. It is claimed, therefore, that not only the reserve at Esquimalt, which is controlled by the imperial government,

but Stanley Park and Deadman's Island are the property of the home authorities.

Miscellaneous.

Mr. Charlton's bill to raise the age of consent from 16 to 18 years received its third reading on a vote of 68 to 29.

The state ball at Government House to-night, the first under the Minto regime, was a brilliant success, and very largely attended.

WEALTHY DOCTOR'S

COOL SUICIDE.

Inhales Gas and Talks to His Wife Until Unconscious.

By Associated Press.

Paris, May 10.—The suicide at Choisy Le Roi, six miles south of Paris, of Dr. La Forest, a prominent and wealthy doctor, has caused a sensation. Dr. La Forest was accused of disgraceful conduct, and his arrest was impending. He discussed the position with his wife, and they concluded that whether he was acquitted or convicted, he was ruined. The doctor then resolved to kill himself. He made his will and bade farewell to his wife, shut himself in his bedroom, papered the cracks in the door and window, and then turned on the gas.

For two hours he conversed with his wife through the closed doorway, and then his voice became feebler until it could not be heard. Mme. La Forest then informed the police, who upon entering the room found him dead.

WORRYING JUDGE CHAMBERS.

His House Looted by Adherents of the Chief Whom He Decided Against.

New York, May 10.—Dr. P. F. Chambers, of this city, to-day received a letter from his brother, Chief Justice Chambers of Samoa, dated at Apia, April 20, which states that the rebels under Chief Matafua looted Justice Chambers' house on April 6, during the height of the present troubles. The Chief Justice lost about \$10,000 worth of property.

THE RUSSIAN GOES FREE.

Extradition Proceedings Were Too Slow and Canadian Court Would Hold Him No Longer.

Winnipeg, May 10.—Dudinski, the Russian who has been in custody here for the past two months, charged with embezzlement, was discharged to-day.

Mr. Lowell asked that the case be further enlarged until the prosecution could secure properly sworn evidence from Russia, on which an extradition order could be made. The Chief Justice declined to do this, and ordered the immediate discharge of the accused, stating that the long delay that had taken place had already exceeded the time fixed by the treaty, and he should not order the accused to be confined any longer.

ROWING CHALLENGES.

Australian Makes a Bid for World's Honors—Brookville Man After Hackett.

Winnipeg, May 10.—(Special)—English advices state that James Wray, the Australian sculler, has issued a challenge to row any man in the world, including Gaudaur, of Rat Portage, at present world's champion. Referring to Wray's challenge, the Rat Portage correspondent of the Free Press wires to-night:

"Gaudaur authorized me to say that he would row Wray for \$2,500 a side at Rat Portage. If Wray sends a deposit of \$500 to the Manitoba Free Press, Gaudaur says he will talk to him, but until then will take no notice. He will make no allowance for expenses."

Toronto, May 10.—The following challenge is published in the Globe: "Sporting Editor: Sir—I hereby challenge John Hackett, of Rat Portage, Ont., to row me a three-mile race at Brookville, Ont., for \$500 a side, the race to take place the first week in August. I will allow him \$100 for expenses. (Signed) Eddie Durnan, Brookville."

TELLER SENT TO THE PEN.

Wilmington, Del., May 10.—William N. Boggs, the defaulting teller of the Dover National Bank, was to-day sentenced in the United States district court to five years in the Trenton, N. J., penitentiary, beginning to-day, and a fine of \$5,500.

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British Minister's Blunt Reason for Friendship of Great Powers.

England's Armaments Have Made Arbitration With U. S. Possible.

France and Russia Also Mentioned for Not Disinterested Motives.

By Associated Press.

London, May 10.—The Duke of Devonshire, president of the council of ministers, speaking this afternoon at the annual banquet of the Central Association of Bankers, said that while Great Britain's expenditure had been enormous, any less financial preparedness would have lessened her chances of amicable agreement with the United States, France and Russia.

England's armaments, he declared, had made arbitration over the Venezuelan controversy possible, and had preserved the most amicable relations with the Great Republic.

It would be asking too much to expect that all those treaties would lead to universal permanent peace, but what had been done showed that Great Britain recognized the responsibility resting upon her power and wealth rightly.

FAITH CURE FRAUD.

Woman Causes Loss of Child's Leg by Pretence of Ability to Cure Sore.

New York, May 10.—On behalf of the health office, Assistant Corporation Counsel Walsh appeared in the police court in Brooklyn to-day with Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Schneider, of Williamsburg, for the purpose of having the couple inform Magistrate Brenner what knowledge they had of an alleged "faith cure" practised by Mrs. Mary Miller, of this city, upon Mrs. Schneider's 12-year-old daughter, whose subsequent sufferings from gangrene could only be alleviated by the amputation of her leg.

Mr. Schneider testified that the faith cure woman came to them unasked and stipulated that no doctors should be permitted to attend their daughter. She put salve on the afflicted limb and mixed a certain kind of tea for the child to drink. Mrs. Schneider testified that she paid \$51 for this faith cure treatment. Mrs. Schneider signed an affidavit on which Magistrate Brenner issued a warrant for the arrest of Mrs. Miller on the charge of practising medicine illegally.

TOO MUCH FOR VOLUNTEERS.

Macarthur's Troops Exhausted by Their Campaign—Scheme for Native Government.

Manila, May 10.—General Macarthur will probably remain at San Fernando until fresh troops can be forwarded to him from this city to replace some of the volunteers who have become exhausted from the long campaign.

Filipino riflemen to the number of 8,000 are entrenched on three sides of Bacolor. The Americans, however, are fully able to hold the city.

The United States Philippine commission has been considering a provisional constitution for the island of Negros, which was framed by Col. Smith and leading natives. It is largely modelled after the constitution of California. While it has many good points, the commission will probably recommend a uniform government for all the provinces. This constitution it is intended will give the natives self-government, co-operating with the military regime. Work upon the constitution has been apporportioned to the several members of the Philippine commission.

Reports received from the insurgent line, which, however, have not been confirmed, say that a meeting of the Filipino congress has been held at San Isidro. There was no quorum present, but in spite of this fact some business was transacted. The reports add that although those who attended were mostly partisans of Aguinaldo, a strong desire for peace was expressed.

SPAIN SHOWS GRATITUDE.

Recognition of Friendship of Austria and Germany During Recent War.

Madrid, May 10.—The Queen Regent has conferred upon the Austrian minister of war and German minister of the navy the Grand Cross of Military Merit. It is generally supposed that the decorations have been bestowed in recognition of the friendly attitude of Austria and Germany towards Spain during the recent war with the United States.

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Skagway Visited by a Disastrous Fire—Quartz Finds Numerous.

The mail steamer Cottage City, Capt. Wallace, favored Victoria with a midnight call and passed on to Puget Sound a little before 1 o'clock this morning. Her news budget may be summarized under four headings, the last being of purely local interest: a rough trip and no further communication with Dawson, the waterways being now impassable with float ice, which seriously threatens the visiting steamers; rich discoveries of gold and copper ledges at Ketchikan, to which point hundreds of quartz prospectors are preparing to rush as soon as the snow is out of the hills; Skagway, the scene of a destructive fire, which destroyed one entire block and threatened the demolition of the entire town; and Hon. J. Fred. Hume, Minister of the Interior, through Mr. W. Norman, a prominent man here, to assist in the termination of their difficulties about the end of this month, accompanying a select commission of inquiry, by which (invested with the powers of a court) all differences as to the ownership of claims or realty will be adjusted.

This latter information, reported by Mr. Hume to the Minister of Mines had further been pleased to extend the opening of the Atlin mining season from the 1st June to the 1st July, has furnished the text of much self-congratulation among the Atlin mine owners.

The latest news from Atlin City, where the residents are still waiting in patience for the town lots sale, the opening of the creeks and the adjudication of their disputes, appears to be that of the suicide of James Freeman—formerly of San Francisco and then of Skagway. Mrs. Freeman had been in business at Atlin City, and was followed there by her husband, whose ambition seems to have been to live a life of luxury upon the earnings of his wife. She refused to meet his demands for money, and he shot himself.

The big Skagway fire occurred on the night of May 3, a total loss of upwards of \$50,000 being involved through the destruction of one entire block. J. W. Mayer, the Brown Shoe Co., and W. L. Green are among the heaviest individual losers. The fire stopped almost "of its own accord," just before the destruction of the entire town appeared to be inevitable.

Of the late mining news, one feature is the discovery of rich gold and copper ledges, and a third carrying these two metals in conjunction at Ketchikan, 200 miles down the coast from Skagway, and not so very far from Wrangell. A rush of quartz miners in this direction is looked for just as soon as the snow is off the hills. Other good quartz finds are spoken of, at Chilkoot, and at a point twenty miles up the Stikine, where the claim owners intend developing their property during the approaching summer. Indeed the people of the Middle North are beginning to realize the wisdom of the old miners' saying that the district has more to hope for as a quartz placer region—although new diggings are daily claiming attention. The very latest is on Fallon Creek, along the Fentail trail, Dr. Scharschmidt of Log Cabin being one of those most interested in Quinn City, as the discovery point of the new camp has been called.

The travel on the upper Yukon now awaits the opening of navigation.

RIGHT TO SPEND MONEY.
Provincial Legislature May Invest in a Cable If It Thinks Fit.

Ottawa, May 10.—Sir John Bourne gives the following opinion on the constitutional competency of the British Columbia legislature to vote money for the Pacific cable scheme:

"Sections 91 and 92 of the Union Act confer the legislative powers of the Dominion and Provinces, and the words provincial purposes, wherever they appear, must be read in the light of such division of powers. When the act refers to the raising of revenue for provincial purposes or to the appropriation of the consolidated fund for the public service of the Province, it does not mean that such funds must be necessarily and always limited to expenditure within the territorial limits of the Province, but that they are to be appropriated for purposes authorized by the Province, which alone can make laws for such purposes. In any case, it would be quite competent for a Provincial Government to borrow money under legislative author-

ity, as given in sub-section 3 of section 92, and appropriate it for any purpose. The appropriation of money towards the Pacific cable comes under the definition of Provincial purposes that moment that it is authorized by a vote of the constitutional legislature—a power that alone can extend the powers under their exclusive legislative jurisdiction."

Another high constitutional authority, while holding that under the technical wording of the B. N. A. Act, the cable appropriation can hardly come within the proper prescribed limits, points out that the sovereign power vested in the legislature to the full extent of constitutional control, affords a discretion which is very frequently taken advantage of by legislative bodies, to make various appropriations wholly aside from the legal limits.

DOMINION NEWS NOTES.

Special to the Colonist.

Admiral's Secretary Weds.

Toronto, May 10.—St. James' cathedral was this afternoon the scene of a fashionable wedding, when Miss Mary Todd, daughter of the late Andrew Todd, was wedded to Charles E. Byron, secretary to the commander-in-chief of the North American squadron. The church was crowded. The ceremony was performed by Bishop Dumoulin, assisted by the curate of St. James'.

Again in Trouble.

London, May 10.—Another strike of street railway men is probable here.

Eloped With Gao! Bird.

Brantford, May 10.—Peter Cameron, a harness maker of Brantford, was released from gaol to-day. The wife of William Ferguson, a friend of Cameron's, met him at the gaol door and the two eloped. The woman deserted her husband and two children.

Ontario.

St. Catharines, May 10.—Mr. J. Cahill, formerly reporter for the St. Catharines Journal, and a prominent man here, was arrested this morning on a charge in connection with the West Elgin contested election. Other arrests are expected, and some interesting developments are promised.

Moulders Still Out.

Montreal, May 10.—The situation in connection with the iron moulders' strike remains practically unchanged. The men gained a slight victory to-day, when the Railway Supply Co., a small concern, agreed to their terms and moulders to the number of twenty returned to work. Other founders, however, are as determined as ever to hold out.

C. P. R. Traffic.

Montreal, May 10.—C. P. R. traffic for the week ending May 7 was \$538,000; for the same week last year it was \$507,000.

Mayor Garland Nominated.

Winnipeg, May 10.—William Garland, mayor of Portage la Prairie, was nominated tonight by the Conservatives to contest that constituency for the legislature.

A Job for Radcliffe.

Winnipeg, May 10.—Sheriff Inkster is conferring with Attorney-General Cameron concerning the arrangements for the execution of Guszek and Czuby, the condemned Galicians. Radcliffe, the official hangman, will carry out the execution, which is fixed for May 26.

House Burned.
Winnipeg, May 10.—The residence of W. Coombes at Cypress River was destroyed by fire last night.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Proceedings of First Day of Annual Session at Nanaimo.

Nanaimo, May 10.—The British Columbia Methodist Conference convened in ministerial session in Wallace Street Methodist Church at 9:30 o'clock this morning. Rev. J. P. Betts, President of the Conference, in the chair. After the opening devotional exercises, the roll of conference was called, when 33 ministers responded to their names. Upwards of 30 more were absent, many of whom are expected to arrive to-day.

Revs. Cornelius Bryant and T. D. Pearson were continued as supernumerary ministers, and Rev. J. Roseman as a supernumerary minister, while the application of Rev. W. D. Misener that he be supernumerary for one year on account of ill health was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The following transfers into the conference were reported: Revs. J. W. Shipprell, B. A., B. D., J. E. Gardiner, B. A., Akroyd Stoner, B. Henley Balderstone, B. A., and E. E. Scott. Rev. C. S. Eby, D.D., has been transferred to the Toronto conference.

The temperance anniversary will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the Wallace Street Church, to be addressed by Rev. S. M. Thompson, a lay delegate, and Rev. W. H. Pierce.

The lecture on "Literature," delivered last evening by Rev. J. C. Speer, of Victoria, before the Epworth League, was a rich treat. The talented orator held the attention of a delighted audience for upwards of an hour.

Martin Lifts The Veil.

Tells How the Ministers Sit Silent at Meetings of Executive.

Only Mr. Cotton Spoke Up to Him on Deadman's Island Issue.

A News-Advertiser representative saw the Attorney-General last evening with reference to a reported interview with him on the Deadman's Island question that appeared in an evening contemporary. In reply to the reporter's inquiry, Mr. Martin stated that he had not read the interview in question, but believed it was substantially correct.

The reporter then remarked: "In it you are reported to have stated that Mr. Cotton's telegram to Mayor Gordon did not voice the opinion of the government, but only his own views." "Yes," replied Mr. Martin; "when I left Victoria, no decision in the matter had been arrived at by the government, and it could not have been since, as Mr. Hume and other members of the executive left Victoria on Friday. I took it as Mr. Cotton's individual opinion, but since the interview I have received a telegram from the Premier, supporting Mr. Cotton's action."

"So the government had discussed the matter?" "Yes, fully, and decided to lay the matter over. The executive met on Thursday and arrived at no decision, but postponed the matter. Mr. Cotton and I hold opposite views with reference to the island, and I claim that he has no right to send a telegram as the opinion of the government under these circumstances."

"At the meeting of the executive, if the matter was discussed, did not the members present express their views?" "Only Mr. Cotton and myself, and our views were directly opposite. Mr. Hume expressed none, neither did the Premier."

"Were any others present, and did they not express any view?" "The full council were present, but I do not care to discuss the views of the individual members. No government opinion was given, but the matter was postponed."

"Did not the telegrams received by Capt. Tatlow and the timber inspector purport to come from the Premier and Mr. Cotton jointly? Such being the case, would it not be reasonable to suppose that, in the telegram to the mayor, received several hours later, the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works voiced the opinion of the Premier and other members of the government in Victoria obtained earlier in the day?"

Mr. Martin replied: "I did not look at it in that way, but the Premier says he understood that the government arrived at an opinion as intimated in the telegram. I distinctly understood several members to state that the matter would be laid over. Mr. Cotton says he has the Premier with him, and intimates that that is all that is necessary to settle it, the voice of the whole council not being needed. That is where I differ with him. I cannot understand Mr. Cotton's action in this, which suggests that no others of the executive council have a voice in the matter. I have a voice as well as the Premier or others; all have equal right, and the Premier is as apt to be in the minority as anyone else. I think it was entirely improper to send the telegram as from the government. Mr. Cotton practically admits this by his allegation that only the opinion of the Premier and himself is needed in the matter."

Mr. Martin was then asked how he received his telegrams from on Monday morning, and replied: "I received notice from Victoria of the action Mr. Ludgate had taken. I had two telegrams—from the Premier and Mr. Cotton—instructing me to act for the province."

Asked if this did not show that the government, as represented in Victoria, had voiced the telegrams to the mayor, Mr. Martin replied, "I did not think so," and further stated that he did not think the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works had power to act, as Mr. Cotton had, in a case of emergency, after the government had met and deliberately stood the matter over.

Upon the question again being put, Mr. Martin said: "I am not a member of the government, but I am a member of the executive council. I am not a member of the government, but I am a member of the executive council. I am not a member of the government, but I am a member of the executive council."

WEDNESDAY'S LEAGUE BALL.
At Pittsburgh—Pittsburg, 5; Cincinnati 11.
At Chicago—Chicago, 6; Louisville, 1.
At Philadelphia—New York, 3; Philadelphia 7.
At Brooklyn—Brooklyn, 0; Washington, 7.
At Boston—Baltimore, 5; Boston, 0.
At Cleveland—Cleveland, 2; St. Louis 1.

however, Mr. Martin replied: "I did not look at it in that way at all, but know it now, of course."

In further conversation Mr. Martin stated that he had seen Dr. McKee since the executive met, but that he had expressed no opinion on the matter. The Premier and Mr. Cotton might have seen some of the government since and obtained their views. I do not know, but if so, I am overruled. Mr. Hume was away in the Upper Country, and his return was indefinite, but otherwise the executive might meet at an early date to consider the matter. He was himself going down to Victoria to-day.

Mr. Martin did not know what steps either the Dominion or Provincial government proposed taking, and could not tell what Mr. Ludgate intended to do, except that he had agreed not to tell any more news on the island in the meantime. He did not quite see that the fact that the provincial government had asserted a claim to the island gave the commissioner of lands and works the authority to send the telegram to the mayor. He did not care to give his views as to the strength or otherwise of the provincial government's claim to the island. The fact that it was asserting a claim side by side with the Dominion government, and naturally its claim to the title was made through his own department. At the present time he was unable to say what action the government would take, and did not care to commit himself to an expression until after the executive had met again. He would like to know what the Dominion government had intended to do, and requested that its reply, as published elsewhere, had not answered his telegram. It would be most unfortunate to have a collision between the two governments. Mr. Martin had not the slightest idea what action either government contemplated taking, or whether the matter would run on until Mr. Ludgate effected another coup, and woke them up again. He himself had no line of action in view, but was in favor of the mill, and hoped the matter would not be left too long, as Mr. Ludgate had intimated that he would not wait much longer, but would pull out and build elsewhere. He did not wish to see the industry lost to Vancouver.

Referring to his legal connection with Mr. Ludgate, the attorney general stated: "Mr. Ludgate took possession on Monday, entirely without my knowledge. I knew nothing about it whatever until I arrived in the city. Mr. Ludgate and the government both knew that directly he acted in opposition to the provincial government. I should cease to act for him and act for the government. The matter was never for a moment questioned, and there was no hesitancy or doubt about the action I should take at all. I am Mr. Ludgate's solicitor yet, but on that part of his business I cannot act for him. With the city it was different, as the city's right was practically contested by the province. Directly Mr. Ludgate's action clashed with the government, I acted for the government, and counsel the work. I am his solicitor still, and shall be, I suppose, the same as I am for many other people, and when their business clashes with the government I do not act for them."

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Hood's Pills give strength even while the cathartic qualities are at work. Easy to take.

GRAIN HANDLERS' STRIKE.

Buffalo, May 10.—There is practically no change in the grain shovellers' strike situation. The contractors are still being held, but there are no signs of giving way by either side.

MAXWELL AND THE SWAG.

Dispenser of Liberal Patronage in Vancouver is Custodian of Many Secrets.

A New Brunswick journalist has been studying Mr. Maxwell with an amusing result. The Ottawa correspondent of the St. John Sun says:

It has been decided that when a preacher of the Gospel becomes a member of Parliament he must no longer be designated in the house as a preacher. It came about this way. Colonel Prior, of British Columbia, in giving notice of a question referred to a speech of the honorable and reverend member for Burrard, referring to Mr. Maxwell, Speaker Edgar, before calling the question requested Mr. Prior to strike out the word "reverend," as by a decision of Speaker Denison in the Imperial Parliament it is decided to be "not a becoming expression." Colonel Prior accordingly put the question without referring to Mr. Maxwell by his former title, but incidentally remarking that Mr. Maxwell was a preacher all the same. The fact is that the member for Burrard is more properly designated by the clerical title in the house than he is out of it. Out of the house he cultivates a rather "tough" appearance. He is addicted to smoking a pipe with a very dark complexion and of equipping himself in the most unconventional attire. In his social dissipation he wears the swallowtail coat and expansive shirt front. It is in the house when he is on his feet that the old man takes possession of him. He becomes a preacher again without knowing it, and is constantly lecturing the other members as if they were a congregation under his spiritual ministrations. As a Parliamentary speaker, his habits remind one of the reply made by Charles Lamb to Coleridge: "Did you hear me preach?" said Coleridge.

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"I n-n-never heard you d-d-do anything else," stammered Lamb, in reply. On the particular occasion when the speaker intervened, Colonel Prior was asking about a remark that Mr. Maxwell made in his speech to the Vancouver Liberals, who were complaining because they did not get offices enough. Mr. Maxwell had said: "At home I have a book three inches thick full of applications." He pointed out, however, that since he had been member for Burrard \$26,000 or \$28,000 had gone into the pockets of Vancouver Liberals out of the Dominion revenue. Colonel Prior wanted to know the details of these payments. He did not receive the information he sought. Sir Wilfrid explained that the government does not undertake to interpret ex cathedra speeches delivered by members of this house." This reference to the status of Mr. Maxwell as an ex cathedra orator seemed to be a covert allusion to the member's previous vocation, but it left the house in the dark as to the disposition of the public money.

For any case of nervousness, sleeplessness, weak stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia, try Carter's Little Nerve Pills. Relief is sure. The only nerve medicine for the price in market.

DIED.

PAMPHLET.—On the 9th inst. at the family residence, corner Mary and Esquimalt streets, Victoria West, Ada Alvina, beloved wife of F. W. Pamphlet, aged 25 years, and a native of Alert Bay, B. C.

The funeral will take place from above residence on Friday, the 12th inst., at 2 p.m. Friends will please accept this intimation.

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Monday, May 15th

AMERICA'S FOREMOST IRISH COMEDIAN,

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STATEMENT
For the year ending December 31 1898
According to the Standard of the Insurance Department of the State of New York

INCOME
Received for Premiums - \$42,318,748 6
From all other Sources - 12,687,880 92
Total - \$55,006,629 48

DISBURSEMENTS
To Policy-holders for Claims by Death - \$13,265,008 00
To Policy-holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc. - 11,435,751 35
For all other accounts - 11,435,751 35
Total - \$36,136,510 70

ASSETS
United States Bonds and other Securities - \$160,050,141 33
First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage - 68,503,580 90
Loans on Bonds and other Securities - 9,290,019 00
Real Estate appraised by Insurance Agents - 20,604,049 61
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies - 6,434,957 16
Accrued Interest, Not Deferred Premiums, etc. - \$27,517,925 36
Total - \$323,658,640 68

LIABILITIES
Policy Reserves, etc. - \$220,000 00
Divisible Surplus - 2,220,000 00
Total - \$222,220,000 00

Insurance and Annuities in force - \$91,711,907 70

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department.

CHARLES A. PRELLER Auditor

From the Divisible Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual.

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Thursday, May 11th,

A Melodious Feast of Merriment!

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By permission and under the patronage of the Battalion Officers,

A GRAND Promenade Concert

will be kindly given by the

Fifth Regiment Band.

assisted by a host of local talent, on

TUESDAY EVE., MAY 16.

In the DRILL HALL, Menzies street. The total gross proceeds to go to the British Columbia Protestant Orphans' Home.

ADMISSION, 10c.

Refreshments supplied by the Lady Managers of the Home, at Popular Prices.

TENDERS

Will be received up to noon Wednesday, 17th inst., for the erection of stores, tenements, etc., on lot 174, facing Johnson street, for F. E. Newberger, Esq.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JNO. TEAGUE, Architect.

NOTICE.

Take notice that Ah Moe, alias Lee Moe, and Ah Mow have purchased the business of charcoal burning, also horses, carts, etc., owned by him, hitherto carried on by Ah Hoon at Victoria and elsewhere in British Columbia.

All persons having claims against said Ah Hoon are requested to present same within two weeks, and same will be paid by said Ah Hoon, if found correct.

Dated 10th May, 1899.

ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RAILWAY CO

NOTICE.

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PROSPECTORS AND MINERS

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LEONARD H. BOLLV, Land Commissioner.

Victoria, B. C., June, 1899.

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TO LET.—Housekeeping rooms at Blumens house, 104 Pandora street. Apply 97 Quadra. m5

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FOR

School Board In Session.

City Solicitor Decides That Trustees Are Responsible for Insurance.

Opinion That Too Many Holidays Are Given the Children.

Very little business other than routine came before the school board at its regular session last evening. The propriety of giving more than one holiday on such an occasion as the Queen's Birthday celebration was discussed, and several of the members considered it high time that the board's generosity in this respect should be limited.

Herbert Cuthbert & Co. wrote offering for sale an assay plant for use in the High school. The communication was referred to a committee to be reported upon.

Principal Paul notified the board of the receipt of the handsome medal offered by Mayor Hedder for the highest rank in mathematics. The communication was received with an expression of appreciation from the board.

Principal McNeill of the North Ward school was also heard from on the destruction of some shade trees and other school property. The damage was done after school hours and he thought something should be done to prevent trespassing. On motion of Trustee Marchant, the matter was referred to the buildings and grounds committee, it being in the opinion of that member of the board a pity to deprive the little people of the use of a playground.

The teachers of Spring Ridge wrote conveying to the board as school property an organ obtained through their efforts, for which the due thanks of the board were expressed.

The janitress of Hillside school asked that her salary be continued at \$12.50 a month, as she has now an extra room to look after.

City Clerk Dowler enclosed by letter the opinion of the city solicitor on the insurance of school furniture, which placed the duty of insuring on the board. The regular monthly report showed the actual enrolment for April as 2,386; the actual average attendance, 2,074.38; the number of truancy cases, 2; the number of corporal punishment, 20; and tardiness cases, 179. The attendance percentage in the several schools was: Boys' Central, 90 per cent.; Spring Ridge, 89; Girls' Central, 88.4; High school, 88; North Ward, 87; Victoria West, 85; South Ward, 82; the attendance percentage for all the schools being 86.94.

Accounts for the month amounting to \$246.54 were passed.

The subject of holidays was brought up by Trustee Hall, who moved that the council of public instruction be asked for permission to close the schools on Thursday and Friday, May 25 and 26. Trustee Mrs. Williams Grant seconded the motion, but Trustee Belyea declared that he would vote against it, on the ground that this special holiday-giving was becoming a nuisance. It was time for the board to adopt a new policy.

Trustee McCandless also complained of the practice becoming too common. He did not think that the day for the regatta had yet been settled on, and said he would also vote against the motion.

Trustee Mrs. Gordon Grant, while agreeing with much of what had been said, considered that it would be a punishment for the few teachers and scholars who would reluctantly attend school. The question was left for the celebration committee to deal with—not the board.

Trustee Marchant being also opposed to the extra holidays, the motion was withdrawn and the matter was left to the school management committee to decide. Trustee Belyea considering that the schools might with advantage close at 2 o'clock each day.

Trustee McCandless moved that a committee of two wait on the management of the telephone company to see if a reduction could not be secured on telephone charges. The motion was passed, as was another made by Trustee Marchant to the effect that a request be made to the city council to have the sewerage system extended to Chambers street for the benefit of Spring Ridge school.

Kingson street sewerage was also spoken of, but no action was taken in regard to this.

The board then went into committee to further advance work on the framing of regulations.

The man who stands idly by and sees the life fading out of his wife's face, sees her faded going, sees her becoming old and faded and wrinkled when she should still be in the perfect enjoyment of vigorous, useful health, is often the man who does not know of the remedy which will bring her back to health and strength. Perhaps her husband cannot persuade her to go to her doctor, because she has heard of the inevitable "examinations" and "local treatments." He cannot persuade her, if she needs persuasion, to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This truly wonderful medicine has cured hundreds of women after the best physicians have failed. It has been in constant use and tested every way for thirty years. No natural experiment, there are no chances about it. It is a certain cure for all derangements, weaknesses, irregularities and displacements of internal organs peculiar to women.

GOING HIM ONE BETTER.

Watts—I want to say that magicians was simply wonderful. Fancy pulling a rabbit out of a hat, will you?

Lushford—Once I got a snake eighteen feet long, with a lighted gas jet in its mouth, out of a quart bottle—Indianapolis Journal.

There is a deal of difference between a "good tea" and a tea that is the "best for the money." When "Star of India" tea first came on this market, many merchants thought there was "no room" for another package tea. The demand for it now is such that they gladly "make room" for it, and recommend it to customers who ask for the best tea for their money. 35c., 40c., 50c., 60c., per lb. Please don't overlook your coupons this month.

Buried With Sailor's Rites.

Service for Dead Held Aboard Schooner Favorite at Sea.

First of Season's Packed Spring Salmon Arrives on Boscowitz.

A sad piece of news was received from the West Coast by the return of the steamer Willapa yesterday afternoon. It is of the death of Alexander Rippon, from an attack of heart disease, upwards of seven or eight days ago. The deceased at the time of his death was mate on the sealing schooner Favorite, which vessel was reported by the Willapa at Ulucluet with flag at half-mast. The death took place far out at sea, and the remains were consigned to the sea with the usual solemn ceremony last Friday. Rippon, deceased has many years been identified with the sealing industry of this port, and his demise will be greatly regretted. The Favorite's catch was 271 skins. Only one other schooner is reported by the just returned steamer, and she is the Dora Sievard, which had a catch of 271 skins. They were brought to Victoria on the Willapa. The passengers to arrive were: A. D. McQueen, D. Kirpatrick, J. J. Baird, R. Jackson, D. D. Munroe, M. Sullivan and Captains Jacobson, Campbell and Myers. The three sealing captains were down the coast to secure Indian hunters for cruises to the Bering Sea, and have been successful in getting their men. Captain Jacobson engaged his at Dodge's Cove, and the other two at San Juan and Nitinat.

FIRST SPRING SALMON.

A Small Shipment Arrives From Port Essington on the Steamer Boscowitz.

Fishing at Port Essington has started earlier this year than ever in Northern canyery business. By the steamer Boscowitz, which arrived from the North yesterday afternoon, there came, consigned to Simon Leiger of this city, 80 cases of the spring fish put up at Essington, and when the steamer left there for Victoria fishing was in progress and a good run of salmon was reported. The Boscowitz brings news of a fire in the engine room of the Albert Bay sawmill. The amount of damages done, or the cause of the fire, however, was not learned. Several passengers arrived down on the steamer, among them being a few the steamer from Princess Royal Island, and Captain Clark and Mr. Meyers of this city, who have been doing some survey work in the northern end of Vancouver Island.

TRAVEL IS LIGHT.

Few People Leaving for the Northern Gold Fields, Owing to Bad Trails.

The departure of the steamer Tees for the North last evening was not marked by any particular exodus of passengers, although the steamer carried a fair load of freight. The people are setting out now for the Northern gold fields either in Atlin or the Klondike country, and it is expected to continue light until Northern fresh water navigation opens. The Tees, as usual, will call at Vancouver, and will there add to passenger and freight lists. Her Victoria passengers included: Mr. and Mrs. McLeod, Mrs. Spencer, Colonel Reichenbach, and Messrs. Barrett, Hornsby, Pye and Knowles.

The steamer Alpha, which was also to have sailed for Northern ports last evening, has been detained in port, and will not leave before Friday night.

BROKE HER MAIN-BOOM.

Seattle Fishing Brigantine Returns to the Roads in Distress.

The brigantine Blakeley, Capt. McPhee, bound for Seattle for the northern halibut fishing grounds, put into the Royal Roads last evening in distress. In going down the Straits yesterday her main boom was carried away by the strong gale blowing, and the vessel was obliged to put about for repairs. The Blakeley is a very old vessel of approximately 150 tons register, and created no small amount of uneasiness in Seattle when last year she set out with passengers and freight for St. Michael.

It is stated that upon her return from the North, Her Majesty's survey ship Escriba will commence a survey of the route for the Pacific cable. When the Escriba was commissioned it was announced that part of her work would be in connection with the cable.

Steamer Utopia arrived here from the Sound yesterday, to undergo Canadian inspection. She will take her place on the Puget Sound-Victoria route on Friday.

The Northern Pacific steamship Olympia did not call here as expected yesterday, but proceeded direct to the Orient from the Sound. The Victoria, of the same line, is due here from the Orient on the 20th inst.

Steamer Chiquito returned yesterday from Texada and will leave again for that busy mining town this morning.

Steamer Oscar arrived last evening with a load of hay from Ladner's Landing.

Steamer Pingal is loading 41,000 brick at Porter's wharf for Vancouver.

The steamers Cottage City and Amur are due from the North to-day.

Serofula, salt rheum and all disorders caused by impure blood are cured by Hood's Sanguiferina, which is America's Greatest Medicine.

SHARES, METALS AND GRAIN.

Sharp All Round Rise in New York—Grand Trunk Flat in London.

By Associated Press.
New York, May 10.—The Commercial Advertiser's financial cable from London says: "In the stock markets here to-day attention was occupied with the general settlement, which shows a small account, with fairly easy money. The only feature to-day was the strength of Kallars and the surprising steadiness of Americans, considering the sharp fall in New York yesterday. The strength appeared to be due to covering operations from New York at the opening of business. Contangoes in Americans were about 4 per cent. Grand Trunk was flat on disappointing traffic reports."

New York, May 10.—The stock market moved up rapidly to-day, although at times considerable irregularity appeared. Certain large interests were open purchasers of their specialties, and the absorption of some 7,000 shares by London aided the market leaders in pushing up their favorites. In the afternoon the rapidity of the advance induced the covering of large short lines, and commission houses were again active purchasers. There was no flurry in the money market, the ruling rate for call loans being 4 per cent. Sterling exchange eased off on the large purchases of stock for foreign account. An element in shaping sentiment was a rumor that the government crop report to be issued late to-day would show an improvement of several points over last month's. St. Paul's favorable weekly statement of earnings was a source of strength to the grangers.

N. Y. CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	May 9	May 10
Amn. Sugar	147 1/2	150
Amn. Spirits	11	11 1/2
Amn. Tob	200	212
Atchafalca	17 1/2	18 1/2
Can. Pac.	53 1/2	54 1/2
Can. Southern	33 1/2	34 1/2
Ches. & Ohio	25 1/2	26 1/2
Chic. Gas	117 1/2	121 1/2
Cons. Gas	121 1/2	125 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	116	118 1/2
Del. & Hudson	105	107 1/2
D. & R. G. pld.	117 1/2	118 1/2
Gen. Elec.	114	115 1/2
Jersey Central	114	115 1/2
L. & N.	61 1/2	62 1/2
N. Y. C. & H. R.	42	43 1/2
Nat. Lead	32 1/2	33 1/2
N. P. com. new	49 1/2	50 1/2
N. P. pld.	77	78 1/2
N. Y. C. & H. R.	42	43 1/2
N. Y. O. & W.	23 1/2	24 1/2
Omaha	92 1/2	93 1/2
Pac. Mail	20	20 1/2
Phil. & Reading	20	20 1/2
Pullman	156	158
Southern Ry.	118 1/2	119 1/2
Standard & T. S.	56 1/2	57 1/2
Tenn. C. & I.	19	20 1/2
Texas & Pacific	19	20 1/2
U. S. Leather com.	41 1/2	42 1/2
U. S. Rubber	40 1/2	41 1/2
Union Pac. receipts	41 1/2	42 1/2
Wabash pld.	20 1/2	21 1/2
Western Union	90 1/2	91 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	115 1/2	116 1/2
Com. Cable in Montreal	185	185
C.P.R. in London	100 1/2	100 1/2

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

	May 8	May 10
Call money	2 1/2%	4 1/2%
U. S. paper	3 1/2%	4 1/2%
St. ex. den.	4.87 1/2	4.87 1/2
Do. 60 ds.	4.84 1/2	4.84 1/2
Com. bills	4.84 1/2	4.84 1/2

METALS, ETC.

Rosh. steady. Turpentine, quiet. Pig iron, steady. Copper, dull. Lead, dull. Hull and lower plates, steady. Spelter, dull.

Silver certs.	61 1/2	62
Bar silver	61 1/2	62 1/2
Mex. dols	48 1/2	48 1/2
Pig iron	14.50	14.50
Southern	14.50	14.50
Northern	14.50	14.50
Copper, brok.	19	19
Do. ex. den.	4.25	4.25
Lead, brok.	4.25	4.25
Do. ex. den.	4.40	4.40
Tin, Straits	25.50	25.50

PRODUCE AT CHICAGO.

	May 9	May 10
Wheat—May	71 1/2	70 1/2
July	72 1/2	72
Corn—May	32 1/2	32 1/2
July	33 1/2	33 1/2
Oats—May	23 1/2	23 1/2
July	24 1/2	24 1/2

The Rossland Exchange.

Rossland, May 10.—Siles on the Rossland stock exchange to-day were as follows:	
1,000 Morrison	17
1,000 Do	17 1/2
1,000 Monte Christo	11
2,000 Do	11 1/2
1,000 Deer Park	6 1/2
3,000 Do	6 1/2
2,000 Do	6 1/2
1,000 Winnipeg	30 1/2
2,000 Do	30 1/2
2,000 Evening Star	14 1/2
2,000 Do	14 1/2
2,500 Homestead	34
1,000 Tamarac	16 1/2
2,000 Do	16 1/2
2,000 White Bear	42 1/2
5,000 Do	42 1/2
3,000 Do	42 1/2

Local Share Market.

(As Reported by Cuthbert & Co.)
Wednesday, May 10.

The slight improvement in the share market continued to-day, with the chief interest centered around the Sloam favorites—Dardanelles, Rambler-Cariboo and Noble Five—although not a great deal of trading was done. Dardanelles, owing to the very successful shareholders' meeting held to-day, is likely to be in big demand for the next few days, and will probably have a considerable advance in price. Rambler-Cariboo sold locally at 28c. to 28 1/2c., and Noble Five at 26 1/2 to 27 1/2. The uncertainty with regard to the course likely to be pursued by the big mines of the Sloam in the matter of the eight-hour law still continues, and retards trading in the standard stocks of that camp. We understand that a definite course of action was decided upon at the meeting on Monday, but it has not yet been made public.

Van Andu was offered locally to-day as low as 7c., without buyers, and it will probably go lower yet. Alberni Consolidated is being inquired for at about yesterday's price.

the batton has at last been reached, and that to-morrow will see a still further advance.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

Stocks.	Asked.	Bid.
Cariboo	1.44 1/2	1.40
Minchaha	.28	.27
Waterloo	.10	.09 1/2
Cariboo Hydraulic	1.40	1.41
Smuggler	.04	.03
Fairview Corporation	.11	.09
Old Ironsides	1.15	1.10
Knob Hill	.90	.82
Bathmullen	.07 1/2	.06
Athabasca	.45	.40
Dundee	.27	.21 1/2
Dardanelles	.11	.10 1/2
Form	.50	.40
Noble Five	.30	.20
Rambler-Cariboo	.32	.20
Reco	1.40	.04
Two Friends	.08	.07
Wonderful	.09	.07
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	43.00	38.00
Van Andu	.08	.07
Big Three	.24 1/2	.23 1/2
Commander	.10	.08
Deer Park	.07 1/2	.06 1/2
Evening Star	.10 1/2	.10
Iron Ore	.12 1/2	.12
Iron Horse	.12	.13
Iron Mask	.71	.60
Montreal Goldfields	.25	.20
Monte Christo	.12	.11
Northern Bell	.04	.03 1/2
St. Paul	.03	.02 1/2
Silver Bell	.04 1/2	.04
St. Elmo	.06 1/2	.06
Virginia	.25	.22
Victory Triumph	.09	.08 1/2
Wor. Esau	3.00	3.02
B. C. Goldfields	.06	.05
Canadian Goldfields	.06	.05
Gold Hills	.07 1/2	.07
Sovely	.01	.03 1/2
Brandon & Golden Crown	.29	.25
Winnipeg	.31	.29
Morrison	.19	.17
Republic	1.35	1.32 1/2

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From London and Liverpool, will receive general cargo for this port at 20s. per ton. She will close on the following dates:
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And from VANCOUVER at 12 noon on following day.
For freight and passage apply at the office of the company, 36 Port street, Victoria, B. C.
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J. D. WARREN, Manager.

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A CRITICAL TIME.

It is not too much to say that Victoria has reached a critical hour in her history. Rarely does it happen that any city is called upon to decide upon matters of such relatively great importance as those presented to the people of Victoria. Upon the decision which they shall make in the course of the next few months the future of the city for next half century will depend.

Three very important projects call for the best and most cautious consideration—namely, the harbor improvement scheme, the ferry to Vancouver and the ferry to Port Angeles. Either of them is of sufficient gravity to give rise to deep concern. Together they form a combination whose full significance it is not easy to grasp. If all three are carried into effect the whole city and its commercial relations to the rest of the province and to the growing commerce of the Pacific will be revolutionized. They mean the incurring of large responsibilities. There is not a resident of the city, whether he owns a dollar's worth of property here or not, who is not most deeply concerned in the manner which they shall be dealt with.

The three projects contemplate the establishment at Victoria of what would unquestionably be a harbor without a superior, so far as conveniences for traffic go, on the Pacific Coast, a connection with the Mainland of our own province, which would reduce to a minimum the inconvenience of our insular position, and substantially remove all objections to Victoria as a terminal and distributing point, and a connection to the south, which would give us the best possible means of communication in that direction. While these three propositions are wholly independent of each other, and either one of them may be rejected without affecting the merits of the others, they have by a rather extraordinary coincidence come up for consideration at the same time, and most people will think of them together. The arguments for the three are very different. Care must be taken not to treat them as antagonistic proposals.

The harbor improvement scheme is based upon the theory that the existence of first-class facilities here will enable Victoria to secure a large share of the trade to be developed on the Pacific ocean.

The immediate reason for advocating the ferry to Vancouver is to develop traffic between this city and the Mainland, but it is obvious that the existence of such a connection would have an important bearing upon the development of commerce at this port.

The Port Angeles project is presented as an alternative to the route to the south by way of the Sound.

It is claimed of the first that it will not entail any charge upon the property of the city. The other two, if accepted as they have been made, would imply a charge equal to about one-fourth of one per cent. annually upon the real estate within the city at its present valuation. Doubtless the value of this property would rapidly advance, so that the above charge may be regarded as the maximum, and as subject to a steady decrease.

It will be observed that the request of the Port Angeles railway people is substantially equal to one-half of the amount involved in the proposal submitted by request by Mr. Dunsinuir on behalf of the E. & N. railway, for although the latter proposition involves the acquisition by the city and its transfer to the company of nineteen acres of the Indian Reserve, the company offers to give certain property to the city which might be regarded as nearly if not fully offsetting it. The cash bonus asked in one case is \$700,000; in the other it is \$350,000.

The Vancouver ferry is designed to improve an existing line of communica-

tion, and is unconnected with any other project. The Port Angeles ferry is an important adjunct to a new railway enterprise. The ferry to Vancouver will not of itself increase the volume of business done over the Canadian Pacific; but the ferry to Port Angeles will materially increase the volume of business done over a railway to that city.

We mention these things now to show how different are the classes of consideration involved in the two ferry projects, and not for the purpose of championing one at the expense of the other. As the matter presents itself to us, there is no actual rivalry between the two.

If we can only have one of the three projects, we think the opinion of the great majority of the citizens would be in favor of the ferry to Vancouver. The question for the people of Victoria to consider is whether they feel in a position to take hold of any or all of them. The next point to be considered is one of terms. This remark applies to the harbor improvement scheme as well as to the others, the party with whom terms are to be made in that matter being the Dominion government.

It occurs to the Colonist that a public meeting ought soon to be held, not for the purpose of passing any resolutions, but in order that the several propositions may be more thoroughly debated than they can be through the press. It would perhaps not be advisable to attempt to pass any resolutions just now.

POWERS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

The offer of the provincial government to subscribe a portion of the cost of the Pacific cable has directed attention to the powers of the local legislatures. This very important subject is not very well understood, most of the open questions having never called for adjudication by the courts. We incline to the view that the general idea entertained in this province of the powers of the legislature is too narrow. This may be due in part to the fact that responsible government was only established in this province concurrently with confederation, which would naturally create the impression that the province has no legislative authority, except such as is specifically given by the British North America act. It will, of course, not be contended that British Columbia has any less legislative authority than the other provinces, no matter how limited its authority may have been in the old crown colony days.

The British North America act did not in any degree enlarge the legislative powers of the British North American provinces, as defined in the royal instructions to the governor generals and the lieutenant governors. These instructions, which form a voluminous document, provided what might be called the constitution of the provinces before confederation, and under them each province had full authority to deal with all matters not international in their character, subject to the royal veto and the paramount authority of the British parliament. Thus, at the time of the Trent affair, such provincial legislatures as were in session placed all the revenues of their respective provinces at the disposal of the Imperial government for military purposes. This was a clear diversion of provincial funds from the purposes for which they were raised to an object not of a local nature, but the authority of the legislatures to so divert them was never questioned. Our impression is that some of the provinces incurred certain expenses in connection with the Crimean war, but whether they did or not, no one would have suggested at that time that they had no authority to do so. No constitutional questions arose in the courts of the British North American provinces before confederation, the reason being that any act passed by a provincial legislature and assented to by the representatives of the crown or reserved for the assent of the crown and afterwards receiving it, became and remained law until repealed or amended.

By confederation, that is, in 1867, the four provinces in the Union, namely Upper Canada, Lower Canada, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, agreed to surrender to a federal parliament such of the powers as they then enjoyed as might be necessary "for the peace, order and good government" of the Dominion, created by the British North America act, and in order to prevent any conflict of authority certain subjects were specified over which the federal parliament was to have no control, and certain others with which the local legislatures might not deal. There remained a residue of legislative authority not dealt with, and this, we contend, is still vested in the local legislatures. How much of the unclassified powers of legislation may be exercised by the federal parliament under its general legislative authority is quite beside the question, for there is nothing incongruous in the existence of the same authority in both the federal parliament and the local legislatures. We know, in fact, that the same power is exercised by both. For example, the provinces pass laws relating to health and declare certain things to be offenses punishable by a penalty. The federal parliament, in its enactments for the punishment of nuisances, deals with the same class of subjects.

It is claimed that the provinces are directed by the British North America act to apply provincial funds only for local purposes; but just as the parliament of Canada acquires jurisdiction over the most purely local work by declaring it to be to the advantage of Canada, so the provincial legislatures might acquire the right to deal with provincial funds in any way by declaring the purpose to which they were applied to be local. If the courts would have a right to pronounce upon the validity of a declaration of the latter nature, they would

have the right to do so upon one of the former nature, and this would be to give them the right to pronounce upon the policy of legislation, which is wholly foreign to British principle of government. We have not at hand the decisions of the judicial committee of the privy council, in which the meaning of the 91st and 92d sections of the British North America act have been discussed, but our recollection of them is that they bear out, as far as they go, the view taken above of the wide powers of the provincial legislatures.

Come, Mr. Martin, be frank! Don't you think it was some of the Colonist's business, after all?

Victoria is now in the possession of a very excellent equipment for fighting fires. Let us hope that the occasions for using it will be few and far between.

It is very evident that the Imperial House of Commons means shortly to take a hand in church troubles, if the ecclesiastical element cannot settle their differences of opinion.

The adjournment of the Venezuelan arbitration until June 15 is taken as indicative of a short session for the Peace Conference, the reason for the adjournment being the attendance of the umpire, Mons. Martens, at the latter gathering.

In demonstration of the correctness of the Colonist's statement that Victoria does nothing unanimously, twenty-three people voted against the loan consolidation by-law. And yet human ingenuity cannot discover a reason why the by-law ought not to have been adopted.

It is not the intention of the Canadian government to give the Yukon representation this year, although a redistribution bill is to be brought down. Probably the government is in no great haste to give the people of Dawson an opportunity to express at the ballot box their opinion of Siftonism.

The Methodist Conference now in session at Nanaimo represents one of the most influential organizations in the world of Christendom. It is impossible to estimate the influence which the Methodist movement has had upon society and public opinion generally in the whole English-speaking world.

The Montreal city council is entitled to the credit of having evolved the most egregiously nonsensical order ever heard of. It is that none of the heads of the public departments shall leave their offices during business hours. This prevents the chief of the fire department from going to a fire, the chief of police from going to a riot, and so on.

Canada will have to get along for a time without the services of Mr. J. Israel Tarte. We are sure every one will hope that he may find complete restoration to health, but there will be a very general sentiment, not confined only to his political opponents, that if he can select some employment more conducive to the preservation of his physical strength, the public service of Canada will not greatly suffer.

PASSING COMMENT.

The Spokesman-Review affects to regard the opposition to the Kettle River Valley railways as inspired by the idea of non-intercourse. The Review is quite incorrect. Canada has every desire to have the most friendly intercourse with the United States, but does not think the friendship ought to be all on one side.

It is refreshing to learn from the Times that the people responsible for the Deadman's Island muddle are the Robson-Davie-Turner government. It was the duty of the late government to ascertain, says the Times, to whom the island belonged. The late government never had a ghost of a doubt as to the validity of the claim of the province to the island.

The Westminster Sun protests strenuously against the proposal to remove the land registry office from that city to Vancouver. Last week we had the Inland Sentinel protesting against the removal of the Kamloops office to Vancouver. It is not yet stated whether the Victoria office is to be removed to Vancouver; but we suppose there is yet time for this.

The Grand Forks Miner thinks that good has come out of the agitation for the Kettle River Valley railway. This is gratifying. We go further and say that if Grand Forks and every other place that thinks it has a grievance against a railway company would fearlessly ventilate it, it would be well for all concerned. There are two sides to every story.

Discussing the question of a mint, the Westminster Sun says that "it must be admitted that the bankers ought to know the financial needs and conditions of Canada as well as any body of men, and their opinion is therefore weighty and worthy of being considered." This is quite true, but it must be kept in mind that bankers look at all monetary questions from the bankers' standpoint, which is not necessarily at best calculated to promote public welfare. Their opinion is of great value, but the reasons which they give for their opinion are of more importance, and men, who are not in the banking business, are as well able to weigh these as anyone else.

The Columbian thinks that the explanation given by the Times of the Cowichan railway charter, namely, that it is a part of a scheme got up by the Canadian Pacific to sidetrack Victoria, and that the railway ferry to Vancouver is a part of the plot, "is, to say the least, reasonable." When a man is hunting for

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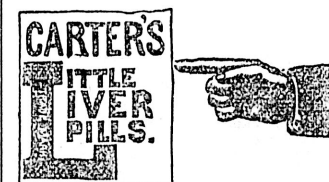
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Robby Gaylor, the celebrated Irish comedian, who will be remembered as having appeared here some years ago in "Sport McAllister," is booked for the Victoria theatre Monday next in "McSorley's Twins."
There is such a thing as a good fountain pen. Waterman's and Paul de Wit's are both really reliable. The Stylographic pen comes cheaper and answers just as well. The Victoria Book & Stationery Co. (late Jamieson's).
Shawnigan, Not Goldstream.—The band concert on Sunday next is to be held at Shawnigan lake, not Goldstream, as announced yesterday.
Spring Assizes.—The spring assizes will be reopened at 10:30 this morning before Mr. Justice Martin, for the trial of Sonner, charged with attempted murder. There is some talk of still another application for adjournment.
Fishermen's Register.—A register has been opened at the office of the agent of the marine and fisheries department, in the old custom house, where fishermen and their assistants can enter their names. None but British subjects can register, and boat-pullers are required to pay a registration fee of \$1.
Ascension Day.—This being Ascension Day, there will be services in the Roman Catholic and Anglican churches in the morning. In the evening there will be a special service at Christ Church cathedral, at which the choirs of all the Anglican churches will assist. A sermon will be preached by Bishop Perrin.
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since, as each ten years have gone round, the Passion play has been repeated, with constantly increasing taste and skill, and without any diminution of that reverent religious spirit in which it first began. Rev. Dr. Cleary was present at one of these presentations.

Death's Hand.—The death occurred on Wednesday evening at her residence, Mary street, Victoria West, of Mrs. P. W. Pamphlet, a native of Alert Bay, aged 25 years. Deceased was a daughter of Mr. A. W. Huson. The funeral takes place to-morrow afternoon.

Loan By-Law Passed.—The by-law to enable the corporation of the city of Victoria to borrow \$210,000 to redeem existing debenture loans and to reduce the annual rate of interest, was yesterday passed by the ratepayers. As usual at by-law elections, there was a very small vote, only 355 votes being cast, of which 23 were against the by-law and 332 in its favor.

No Damage Was Done.—The cork coming out of a bottle of sulphuric acid and allowing its contents to communicate with the shavings and packing of the box, caused an alarm of fire to be turned in from Henderson Brothers' drug warehouse at 11 yesterday morning. The firemen responded with their usual alacrity, but ere they arrived the dangerous box had been thrown out, and the fire thus made an end of.

An Unexpected Bath.—John Brown, traveller for the Albion Iron Works, had a narrow escape from drowning in Alberni river last Friday. He fell in at a place where the water was very deep, and the current was running at about 15 miles an hour. He was rescued by the timely aid of Mr. Martindale, who thus scores a second life-saving record. Mr. Brown was cared for after his misadventure by Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. Cameron, of the Indian mission.

Surprised Mr. Tait.—Between sixty and seventy young people made Tuesday evening memorable in the history of Mr. and Mrs. James Tait's domestic life, by giving them a thoroughly well-planned surprise party out at their home near Oak Bay. The city folk among the merry-makers were driven out in one of the Transfer company's big "busses, with the Collins orchestra, which contributed materially to the pleasure of the occasion. Dancing was indeed continued until after 8 in the morning.

Johnston Street Buildings.—Besides the brick block to be erected on Johnson street by Messrs. McCandless & Campbell, a two-story brick building is to be erected just below their property by the W. C. T. U., to be used as a mission hall. Mr. John Teague is also calling for tenders for a brick building on the opposite side of the street, next to Mr. W. G. Cameron's, for Mr. P. E. Newberger. Thus all of the wooden shacks which at present disfigure lower Johnson street are to be torn down to make room for brick buildings.

The Chinaman's Defence.—Ah Ling, the Chinaman whom Chief Deasy placed under arrest last Tuesday afternoon for having caused the fire at Mr. Manson's residence on Third street, has asked for an adjournment of his hearing in the police court until to-morrow, in order that his counsel, Mr. J. P. Walls, may make a full examination into the case. The Chinaman's defence is that the blaze was entirely an accident. He declares that the stable or two-story shed was so much infested with vermin (the companions of departed chickens) that he was moved to light a fire for the purpose of smoking or burning them out. A gust of wind through the door caused the innocent fire to become a source of danger, and that was all there was about it. The firemen came, extinguished the blaze, and arrested him for an incendiary.

DARDANELLES MINE.
Encouraging Reports Presented to the Shareholders at the Annual Meeting.
The adjourned annual meeting of the Dardanelles Mining & Milling Company was held yesterday. The representation of shareholders was very large, over four-fifths of the total capitalization being represented, either in person or by proxy. A unanimous vote was passed authorizing the increase of capital by the issue of 500,000 new shares, of which 200,000 are to be issued at present. These 200,000 shares were immediately taken up at 12 cents.
The manager reported that very considerable progress had been made in development work since the annual meeting. High-grade ore has been struck both in the ninth and eighth levels, the find in the eighth level being at a point further from the shaft than ore has heretofore been encountered. The total shipment of ore for this year is 125 tons. The latest report from the mine, dated May 10, is that the ore in the ninth level assays 230 ounces silver and 58 per cent. lead. The ore in the eighth level assays over 300 ounces silver and 67 per cent. lead. Good ore has also been found on the opposite side of the shaft. Altogether the prospects of the mine look exceedingly good at the present time.

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Celebration Programme.

How Victorians Will Observe Her Majesty's Birthday This Year.

Vancouver Rowing Club Enters Two Crews for Four Oared Race.

The fact that Rear-Admiral Palliser has ordered the naval forces not to take part in a sham battle or naval and military pageant during the Queen's Birthday celebration in this city, is not going to spoil Victoria's annual holiday. The gentlemen having in hand the arrangements for the celebration have redoubled their efforts, and there will be a big celebration, "just the same." Yesterday morning the programme committee met and drafted the programme for Wednesday and Thursday, leaving Friday and Saturday open for clubs that desire to arrange sports independent of the committee. The programme follows:

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24.
10 a.m.—Lacrosse match, New Westminster vs. James Bay.
10 a.m.—Baseball match; open to all.
11 a.m.—Cricket match, Beacon Hill.
12 noon—Royal salute fired by H. M. ships.
1:30 p.m.—Children's parade, Douglas street.
1 to 6 p.m.—Public reception of H. M. fleet, Esquimalt. Free transportation by ships' launches.
8 p.m.—General illumination of the city, including government buildings. Decoration of Beacon Hill park, where a magnificent display of fireworks will be given. Many designs having been especially arranged by the makers for the occasion, will be international features. Regimental band in attendance.
THURSDAY, MAY 25.
10:30 a.m.—Firemen's tournament, Yates street.
1 p.m. sharp—Regatta at the Gorge. Band in attendance.

PROGRAMME.
Single shot opens regatta.
All races to be called by bugle. Two minutes after bugle sounds the race will be started by gun.
All amateur races under auspices of James Bay Amateur Athletic Association.
In all naval and Indian races there will be distinguishing flags for the various boats.

1. Ten-oared cutters—Course, round island and return to burge (about three miles). First prize, \$40; second, \$20; third, \$10.
2. Four-oared cutters—Course, round island and return. First prize, \$20; second, \$10; third, \$5.
3. Championship of British Columbia. Three-quarters mile straightaway to starter's burge.
4. Indian war canoes (under 40 feet)—Course, round island and return. Prizes, \$4, \$2 and \$1 per paddle.
5. Naval (whalers)—Five oars. Course, round island and return. First prize, \$20; second, \$10; third, \$5.
6. Double-scutt schoollboys' race (under 18)—First prize, three silver medals. Entries to J. St. Clair.
7. Indian two-men canoes—Course, round island and return. First prize, \$50; second, \$25.
8. Double dingy race, officers H. M. forces with lady coxswain—Course, straightaway from Mr. Snowden's boat house to starter's burge. First prize, camera, value \$20; second, value \$10. Post entries.
9. Indian war canoes (50 feet)—Course, round island and return. Prizes, \$5, \$3 and \$1 per paddle. Post entries.
10. Naval, six-oared gigs—Course, round island and return. First prize, \$25; second, \$15; third, \$5.
11. Klootchenmen's canoe race (working canoes only)—Course, from starter's burge, round island and return. First prize, \$30; second, \$15; third, \$10. Five canoes to start or no prize. Post entries.
12. Double dingy race (open to amateurs, with lady coxswain)—Course, as in No. 8. Prizes of same value.
13. Indian two-men canoe upset race—Course, round island and return. First prize, \$10; second, \$5. Post entries.
14. All-comers' race—Any size boat; any number of oars. Course, round island and return. First prize, \$35; second, \$15; third, \$5.
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MAY 26-27.
Sports and games. Basketball, Saturday afternoon. Caledonian grounds.
The provincial museum will be open free to the public during all the week of the celebration from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
As will be seen, there is lots to attract visitors, both on Wednesday and Thursday. Very appropriately the celebration opens with the first home lacrosse match of the season, Victoria vs. New Westminster, and at the same time there will be cricket and rifle matches. In the afternoon the inspection of Her Majesty's ships should be a drawing card, and the illumination and fireworks display in the evening promises to be one of the best ever held in the Northwest. To make this doubly attractive, residents should decorate and illuminate their premises. For Thursday there is the firemen's tournament in the morning, and the regatta at the Gorge in the afternoon. The big event of the regatta will be the four-oared lapstreak race for the championship of British Columbia, for which the Vancouver Boating Club have entered two crews. The J. B. A. A.'s may be depended to be well represented, as they will have a hard race, the amalgamation of the two Vancouver clubs having made it possible for them to send down strong crews.
Another event not on the official programme is a grand ball to be given by the Victoria Cricket Club in A. O. U. W. hall on the evening of May 23.

For Hearing To-day.—The hearing of the charge preferred against C. P. Le Devre of the Horse Shoe saloon for violating the laws of decency in certain private business cards, has been set for to-day, before Magistrate Hall. It was originally listed for trial yesterday, but advanced one day.

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Early Closing Agreement—Strange Request for Railway Aid.

Vancouver, May 10.—At a convention of retail storekeepers in Vancouver a resolution was passed deciding to close stores at 7 p. m. daily, and at noon on Wednesdays.

Inland revenue receipts for Vancouver were \$25,293 for April, an increase of \$4,957 over April, 1898.
The Vancouver Board of Trade have passed a strong resolution urging the provincial government to build four and one-half miles of road from Barnet to Vancouver, so that the Ross McLarn mill business will not be diverted to New Westminster when it should come to Vancouver.

The Board of Trade have placed on record their hearty approval of the proposal of the provincial government to contribute to the cable enterprise to the extent of \$1,000,000. The mover, Mr. Buscombe, said he looked upon the matter as a valuable business investment.

Tosenthal, the famous musician, delighted an audience at the opera house last night. Many of those present stated that they were enthralled with the music; that the hour and a half spent to them by the great artist seemed but a few moments' time. The local press praise the performance, the morning papers going into rhapsodies over it.

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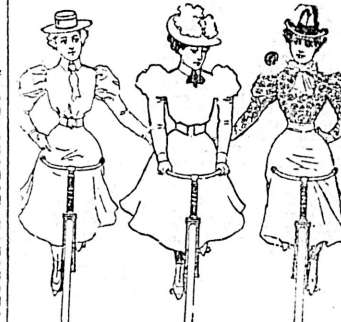
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

"ROBIN HOOD" FINANCES.

Sir: Mr. W. H. Mason seems determined to expose to public view the relations subsisting between us at various times, and were it not for the fact that his statements are wholly erroneous and calculated to mislead the public, I would have been content to have let the whole matter drop. But Mr. Mason leaves me no option in the matter, and on behalf of the promoters of the recent production of "Robin Hood" I cannot allow this letter to pass unchallenged. In the first place, to revert to the famous arrangement subsisting between the Benevolent Society and ourselves, Mr. Mason says it was "the proposal of the opera company to give two nights for their benefit," and if it so happened that the two nights did not produce enough to cover the expenses, they would give "one or more extra nights." I must emphatically repeat that no promise of a third performance was ever held out to the society, and the letter of guarantee which I append hereto entirely bears me out in this respect. This letter of guarantee, by the way, was enclosed to the society in my letter of February 23, extracts from which were printed at the end of Mr. Mason's letter; and I am surprised that he did not see fit to publish it also, for it fully bears me out in my previous contentions. And now as to the undertaking by the society Mr. Mason says, "The society undertaking to meet all the expenses out of the gross receipts, provided that I or some other person deposited by the society were allowed to take the admission money." Is there anything particularly onerous about such an obligation? It will be noted that in this extraordinary undertaking there is no mention of what would happen if the expenses exceeded the gross receipts. It was therefore simply a question of paying our bills with the gross receipts so long as the money held out—quite a nice job when one knows one's responsibility comes when the money gives out. Mr. Mason concludes this absurd and hollow undertaking with the words: "Provided I or some other person were allowed to take the admission money." A glance at the appended letter of guarantee will show that this privilege was to be accorded the society in consideration of some of their members signing it and giving the required guarantee. This letter was never signed. Mr. Mason approached different members of the society in turn with a view to obtaining their signatures to a form of his own, but met with general refusal. The only evidence on this point which I have in my possession is a letter from Mr. Plummer to Mr. Mason which speaks for itself, and which I also append. Mr. Mason informed me immediately of his non-success, and said he would call a meeting to discuss the matter, requesting me at the same time to lay my views before the society in writing. Hence my letter of February 23, enclosing a form of guarantee which I trusted "would prove more acceptable to the members." A meeting was held, and the committee refused to sign the guarantee. True, both Mr. Mason and Mr. Plummer felt called on Mr. Ken and persuade him to allow us further credit, but no written guarantee was entered into, and in the event of a deficit these gentlemen would have been greatly surprised if they had been called upon to foot the bill of \$200. I can only repeat therefore that the whole business of the Benevolent Society controlling the funds and having a man in the box office was dependent upon their signing the guarantee referred to, which in any case covered a very small portion of the general expenses. In further reference to this matter, Mr. Mason says: "As to Mr. Powell's assertion that our society persistently declined to be responsible for the expenses, such is not the case," etc., I challenge him to produce any evidence to the contrary and to show in any way (other than the \$90 already referred to) that the society of "Robin Hood" were guaranteed by his society. As to this business of Mr. Mason occupying the box office and selling tickets there, this was a matter dependent not only on the signing of the guarantee referred to, but I very much doubt whether Manager Jamieson would show sufficient disregard for the convenience of theatre-goers as to permit a mere novice like Mr. Mason to occupy such a position. When, therefore, Mr. Mason asked me a day or two before the first performance whether I should allow him to occupy such a position, I replied: "Certainly not; Mr. Jamieson has his own men." He then wanted to have his own ushers—a request that met a similar refusal. I told him that amateur ushers

were hardly conducive to the comfort of the attending public, and that the regular men cost us no more, being included in the rental of the theatre.

The Benevolent Society did not offer to sell tickets. I called on Mr. Mason and asked him to do so, pointing out that this was the least we could expect of him. He expressed his willingness to sell tickets, and so many were accordingly printed. Mr. Mason did express to me the opinion that he thought he could do better with the cheaper tickets, and in order to fall in with his views as far as possible, I consulted Mr. Henderson at the booking office, and he advised me that the distribution of tickets of small amount would seriously complicate matters in his returns, as there were very few 50 and 75-cent tickets in the theatre.

This letter is already too long by far, but Mr. Mason's grave impeachment of my own sense of truth compels me to reply in detail. Before I conclude, therefore, I must join issue with Mr. Mason on this question of his failure to account to me for the balance of the tickets entrusted to his charge. Mr. Mason has never led me to believe that he had the balance in hand unsold. When I received the 200 from him on account no mention was made of the balance, and presuming his returns had not all come in, and that it would be disconcerting to me not to allow him a little time, I let the matter go for the nonce.

And now to revert generally to Mr. Mason's conduct to those performers on the stage, who have not been paid, and who have been slaving away for months at great personal inconvenience, some at pecuniary loss, and a word of thanks from some of them would have been greatly appreciated. But no. It would seem that hard work which does not result "in a lift for the Benevolent Society by several hundred dollars" is so much waste of time and a fit subject for abuse at the hands of some of their members. In the past this society has had no reason to complain. We have given them Farmer's and Gloria's Masses, both performances netting handsome returns. It is hardly to be wondered at, therefore, if we express our determination to waste no more time and money on the Benevolent Society in the face of the treatment accorded us by their secretary.

"Robin Hood" cost them nothing, and in the way of personal disbursement has cost us a good deal. The prospect of much gain may have excited Mr. Mason's avarice, but we are all subject to disappointments in this world, and if his experience with "Robin Hood" has cost him nothing, he ought to feel grateful that, in his case at least, fate has entered an exception.

So far as I am concerned, there will be no further discussion of this distasteful matter in the press.

E. A. POWELL,
Secretary "Robin Hood" Co.

Dear Sir,—The production of "Robin Hood" by F. Victor Austin for the benefit of the B. C. Benevolent Society, there being at the present time an indebtedness of about \$250, the year's run for the vocal quartet of Walt's hall, etc., and it being apparent that this indebtedness will be increased by about \$75 to meet the additional cost of orchestral parts, libretto and prompt books, and rent of Walt's hall until the opera is put on in April next, we, the undersigned, agree to become jointly and severally responsible for the sum of \$250 in the event of the proceeds of the performances proving insufficient to meet your bill to this extent, provided, of course, that the first two performances of the opera are to be given for the benefit of the Benevolent Society, and that we have the sole and exclusive right to take and receive the admission money in the box office and elsewhere to the performances in question.

(This was never signed.)
Victoria, B. C., Feb. 23, 1899.
W. H. Mason, Esq., Secretary-Treasurer
B. C. Benevolent Society, Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir,—Replying to yours of the 21st inst., re guarantee on account of "Robin Hood" opera, I cannot see my way clear towards taking a personal obligation. Yours faithfully,

(Signed) A. C. FLUMERFELT.

A SUGGESTION.
Sir: In view of the disappointment caused through the action of Admiral Palliser, would it not be a good idea to have a review of the ship at Beacon Hill on the afternoon of the 24th between our local militia, with the co-operation of the Engineers and Vancouver detachment? This would be in keeping with the fireworks, which I understand takes place on the hill the same evening. This would save many disappointments, would be close to most of our homes, and would quieten all fears as regards unsafe bridges.

CITIZEN.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

At a meeting of the W.C.T.U. of Revelstoke, held in the Presbyterian church last week the following resolution was unanimously adopted: "We, the officers and members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Revelstoke, B. C., in regular meeting assembled, resolve, that we have learned with great regret the decision of the Dominion Government, as expressed in the reply of the premier of the Dominion to the secretary of the Dominion Alliance for the suppression of the liquor traffic, in which he states that the majority is not sufficiently large to warrant the government in enacting a prohibitory law. The temperance people of Canada accepted the plebiscite in good faith and polled a large vote, gaining a majority of over 13,000 for prohibition, and outside of Quebec, over 107,000 of a majority. We claim that this majority should not be ignored, and that some measures of prohibition should be given to at least those provinces in which majorities were given for it. We appeal to the parliament at Ottawa and our members of the Commons for this district to grant us a prohibitory measure this session."

Last week Coroner William Teague held at Yale an inquest on the body of the late George Smith, 33 years of age, a native of Liverpool, Eng. He was formerly an able seaman on the Empress of China, and was drowned on Saturday, 22nd October, 1898, by the swamping of a scow, near Boston Bar, in the Fraser River. The body was picked up at Emory by an Indian, on April 20. Though the body was in the water over a period of six months before it was found, it was in a remarkable state of preservation when picked up. After the inquiry, and the verdict of the coroner's jury, "found drowned," the remains were interred, the funeral services being conducted by the Rev. C. Croucher, of the Episcopal church. The body was carried by the str. "Z" current of the Fraser canyon for a distance of 31 miles.

PERNIE.

The Free Press is jubilant over the fact that the British ships on the Pacific station will use Crow's Nest coal. It publishes Rear-Admiral Palliser's letter, as follows:

Imperial, at Sea.
April 13, 1899.
Gentlemen: In answer to your letter of 22nd March, 1899, asking for an account of our trial of your Crow's Nest coal, we are happy to say it has been most satisfactory—so much so that I have written to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty recommending its use on the station. If satisfactory arrangement can be made with your company.

II. BURY PALLISER,
Rear Admiral.
In addition the rear-admiral gave statistics of the test of Crow's Nest coal, and compared it with other fuel used in the navy. Among the important features reported upon, he states that he found the coal in every respect superior to Pacific Coast or North of England coal, having less smoke, less ash, more durability and greater evaporative power. The only coal he compares it with is best Welsh, and he declares that it is equal to this in most respects, only falling slightly below it in respect of smoke and being 8 per cent. behind it in economy.

The Free Press says: "We must confess that such a result is a surprise to us. We knew we had a coaling coal superior to none, and we also knew we had a good steam fuel, but that it would come out superior to all known steam coals but one, and only a few points below that, surpasses every expectation. The importance of this result cannot be overestimated. As affecting the future prosperity of our town and of the coal company it is a prime factor—but it is also far-reaching in its effects. At present all the best steam coal used by the Pacific squadron is brought from South Wales, a distance of 20,000, by water round the Horn. Pernie can now supply the 40,000 tons per annum required for this service with a transportation of 500 miles. In addition there is a large and increasing demand in Chinese waters, and as the general manager is already negotiating with the United States authorities.

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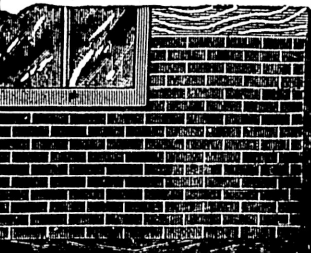
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TRUST IN HUMOR.

The wire trust is long drawn out.—Louisville Post.

There is a new stove trust. That should be a hot thing to handle.—Delavan Times Press.

The first business of a trust is to kill off all forms of competition, and the second business is to advance prices to the utmost of the ability of the people to pay.—Kansas City Times.

The Chicago Tribune says that trusts will be the issue of 1900 and that the Republican party must be prepared to take a stand one side or the other. The Tribune is making a strong fight against these combines.—Galesburg Republican-Register.

The fellow who originated "Competition is the life of trade" evidently didn't live in this age of trusts.—Plain Talk.

When all the trusts are consolidated we will be back where we were during the reign of George the Third.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

By the irony of fate it happens that the promoters of trusts are the most extreme foes of socialism. They are preparing the way for political revolutions, or, at least, experiments, which they dread. It is a situation which may well receive the careful attention of students of current events.—Cleveland Leader.



A Friendly Chat.

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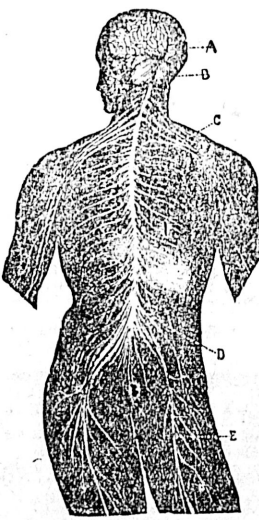
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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, May 10-8 p.m.
SYNOPSIS.

Since yesterday an unexpected ocean storm has appeared off Vancouver Island, and has forced the high area and fair weather southward to California. Dangerous winds prevail along the North Pacific coast, and rain has fallen generally west of the Cascades and in Cariboo. New Westminster reports a fall of over an inch. The weather remains fair and mild in the Territories, attended by westerly gales in Alberta.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	44	49
New Westminster	38	42
Kamloops	46	56
Barkerville	28	40
Calgary	20	40
Whitby	44	58
Portland, Ore.	42	58
San Francisco	52	80

FORECASTS

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time)
Thursday
Victoria and vicinity—Strong southwest and west winds; cool, with occasional showers.
Lower Mainland—Strong westerly winds; cool, with occasional showers.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

	WEDNESDAY, May 10.	Deg.
5 a.m.	45	Mean.....44
Noon	47	Highest.....49
5 p.m.	45	Lowest.....44

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m.Calm.
NoonS.W. 16 miles west.
5 p.m.S.W. 16 miles west.
Average state of weather—Rain.
Rain—40 inches.
Barometer at noon—Observed.....29.940
Corrected.....29.882

E. BAYNES REED,
Provincial Forecast Official.

PASSENGERS.

By steamer	Charmer from Vancouver:
Rev. C. S. Sterns.	A. Velure.
B. J. Perry.	W. Ward.
M. Henderson.	Miss Newbury.
J. S. Cope.	Miss Marshall.
E. T. Gable.	J. Colbert.
C. H. Topp.	Mrs. Lewis.
Joe Whitley.	A. Hayes.
Joe Koehne.	Rev. Winchester.
H. Ward.	W. Turpie.
Nathan Ward.	B. J. Linn.
J. Goldwell.	G. Williams.
Frank Ward.	Miss Thornton.
B. Ward.	F. J. Stephen.
Jas. Monteith.	A. G. Thynn.
H. Graham.	E. B. Rand.
P. Fell.	D. McPherson.
A. E. Bondman.	A. E. Rand.
S. P. Moody.	F. B. Pemberton.
J. Thompson.	G. B. Moran.
H. D. Helmcken.	J. O. Devlin.
H. Jamieson.	Miss Willey.
K. Fudell.	Miss Riley.
P. Gough.	G. W. Grishett.
Thon. J. Martin.	

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Parson's Produce Co.	R. Maynard.
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E. G. Prior & Co.	W. R. Jackson.
L. King.	Langley & Co.
J. Piercy & Co.	Jno. Colbert.
D. Spencer.	Jno. Herd.
Jas. Freck.	Fell & Co.
Alton & Co.	S. Leiser & Co.
Jno. Fullerton.	T. Earle & Co.
Henderson Bros.	Province Pub. Co.
H. L. Salmon.	G. Carter.
Dom. Express Co.	Loewenberg & Co.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

To ring in an alarm break the glass covering the key, open the door and pull down the hook on the inner door once and let it go; remain at the box to direct the firemen.

All the fire halls are connected with telephone 558.
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4-View and Simcoe streets, James Bay.
5-Meligan and Menzies streets, James Bay.
6-Menzies and Niagara streets, James Bay.
7-Montreal and Kingston streets, James Bay.
8-Montreal and Simcoe streets, James Bay.
9-Dallas road and Simcoe street, James Bay.
10-Vancouver and Burdette avenue.
11-Dundas and Humboldt streets.
12-Humboldt and Rupert streets.
23-Port and Government streets.
24-Yates and Wharf streets.
25-Johnson and Government streets.
26-Yates and Government streets.
27-No. 1 Fire Hall, Pandora street.
31-Yates and Blanchard streets.
32-Port and Quada streets.
33-Yates and Cook streets.
34-Yates and Fernwood streets.
35-Junction Oak Bay and Cadboro roads.
36-Cadboro and Richmond roads.
41-Quada and Pandora streets.
42-Clatham and Blanchard streets.
43-Caledonia and Cook streets.
45-Spring Ridge.
51-Douglas and Discovery streets.
62-Government and Princess streets.
63-Kings road and Second street.
64-Fountain, Douglas street and Hillside avenue.
65-Oaklands Fire Hall.
66-Cornwall and Store streets.
67-Discovery and Store streets.
68-John and Bridge streets.
69-The Marine, Victoria West.
70-Springfield ave. and Esquimalt road.
71-Douglas street and Burnside road.

NANAIMO NOTES.

Weekly Half-Holiday Inaugurated—Lacrosse Expectations—Convalescent.

Nanaimo, May 10.—(Special)—William Lewis, secretary of the Nanaimo electric light works, and D. G. Dailey have sufficiently recovered to be out again. The Nanaimo lacrosse boys are working hard for the championship game on Saturday. The Caledonian grounds have been placed in excellent condition for the game.

To-morrow the half-holiday system will be brought into operation. Every store and office will be closed during the afternoon, and a grand picnic will be held under the auspices of the Merchants' Employees Association.

St. John's

Swell Bazaar.

A Scene of Beatty Inviting
Public Inspection Again
To-Day.Some of the Attractions and
the Friends by Whom
Administered.

A bazaar, upon the authority of Webster's unabridged, is "a place fitted up for various retail shops, all under one regulation." There does not seem to be much romance or glamour of the picturesque in this definition, some in the music of the word itself, the fact that it is derived from the Persian, and the incidental picture that imagination draws of the drowsy square in some ancient Oriental town—gaily striped awnings, screening the fruit-laden stalls, and behind them dark-eyed women in fantastic garb that is a riot of bright, barbaric colors—beyond, the waving palm trees and resting camels merge into the general horizon line of a far-stretching desert.

The fancy fair is either the cousin or the younger brother of the bazaar, and although the relationship is not very distinctly defined, they make an admirable combination. The prosaic would perhaps class the two as one, and identify that one as a "sale of work." But let those who say there's nothing in a name just apply to the subject this test—there is anything in the announcement of a "sale of work" attractive to the imagination or the love for the beautiful and the picturesque in the same degree as "bazaar."

With which general observations, be it known that the ladies of St. John's church yesterday opened a bazaar and fancy fair at the A. O. U. W. hall, where they will again make their friends heartily welcome to-day. It is not an ordinary "sale of work," by any means. For once it redeems the promises of the pleasing and the picturesque that imagination conjures up at sound of the Arabian word. It is a contradiction, too, of the trite cynicism that all fancy fairs are the same; only some are more so than others.

This one is different at least from any others that Victorians have had presented to them, and in the difference largely lies its attractiveness. The hall naturally lends itself admirably to the purposes of a bazaar, the side and end galleries roofing the stalls, and the central court or square affording ample room for promenading, save where the flower stalls rise in verdant green near the centre—just as the great well or fountain might break the bareness of a bazaar court in the slumberous East. The picture is so evenly balanced, so harmoniously colored, and so complete, that it forthwith suggests an animated painting of Oriental life, or else a tableau transplanted from some famous opera, lacking only the music and the action of the play.

The stalls are eight in number, exclusive of the floral pavilion that makes the effective centerpiece, nor including the well supplied refreshment room, the fish pond, weighing machine, butterfly painting, candy vendors or other "side shows" as one veteran patron of the circus irreverently classifies them. Each of the stalls is decorated according to an individual design, while all blend into an harmonious whole.

The tower of blossoms, for example, which occupies the centre of the floor, is designed after the architecture of an octagonal summer house—its walls of delicate green hangings falling to a base of moss and relieved with graceful festoons of ivy. The stock includes back seat and potted flowers, rose choice and reasonably priced, of which the sales ladies are Miss Dunsmuir and her assistants, Miss Noel Harvey, Miss Powell and Miss Cora Powell—a charming quartette in their pretty summer gowns, accented and made artistically complete with becoming picture hats. Miniature electric lights peeping through the ivy make a most effective frieze, while a large central light above increases the generally attractive effect.

No. 1 stall and No. 2 are draped in very much the Oriental fashion, the draperies being drawn (if the truth be told) from the stock that is for sale. Over the first Mrs. J. Gerhardt Tarkis presides, assisted by Mrs. Griffiths and Mrs. W. Robertson; the second is the charge of Miss M. Graham and Miss Hall. The range of the fancy work which they are offering appears unlimited and certainly includes many novelties in art embroidery, table centres and teakettle cloths that are new and interesting to the ladies who make fancy work a hobby. This applies particularly to the table centres of drawn work, embroidered in silk.

Contrasting very sharply with the dainty fancy goods stall is their near neighbor, the advertisement and dairy table, which Mrs. Crane and her assistants—Mrs. Gordon Hunter, Miss Jenns and Mrs. Anderson—have made as business-like and uncompromising as possible. It is for all the world a general store in miniature, framed advertisements of rolled outs, jams and jellies, etc., forming the chief features in the way of decorations. The show cards announce as tempting bargains—and the stock and price redeem these promises. It may be mentioned that all the business firms whose advertisements are included in the official guide book of the bazaar are at this stall represented also by samples from their stocks.

The home-made sweets are in charge of Miss Taylor, associated with whom are Miss Janion, Miss Gowen and Mrs. Stone. Their confectionery store is framed in an open front of bellotop—and white wood pillar, supporting a lattice-work in the same colors, with apple blossoms setting out the whole. The columns are designed to give the effect of pillars and slabs of candy, this idea being admirably carried out in the arrangement of the paper stall—where lampshades and similar home-brighteners of every hue are to be obtained from Mrs. Belyea, Miss Lowe, Miss Nellie Todd, Miss Alice Bell or Miss Wilson—is an artistic illustration of the possibilities of tissue papers in decorative work, while the arrangement of the various lights is almost as effective as the decorations. Less gaily adorned are the sober and housewifely plain work and apron stalls, over which Mrs. Glover, Miss Woods, Mrs. Savage and Mrs. Hawton, Mrs. Longfield, Mrs. Blacklock, Mrs. Bickford and Miss Johnson preside with matronly efficiency.

The variety stall of Mrs. A. H. Burns and Miss Wood is the best part of the bazaar, so far as the little folk are concerned, for here the Toy King has his court, and the variety of odds and ends is practically unlimited. The decorations, though simple, are very effective—and the stock has something to meet every call.

Nor must the refreshment room be overlooked, adjoining the main bazaar—for assuredly no restaurant in the city offers one-half so agreeable service, or better coffee. The tables have as good reason to groan as tables ever had under their weight of delicacies, while Mrs. D. R. Ker, with Mrs. Blackwood, Miss Grassham, Miss Seabrook, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Galle and Miss Heisterman are queen and princesses of hospitality.

The "side shows"—if so undignified a designation is not an invitation to annihilation—include such a fish pond as George Courtney would give much to have up the line of the E. & N. The keepers of this well-stocked preserve are Mrs. Butler and Miss J. Devereaux, naturally did good business as soon as it became generally known that the fish were biting readily, despite the rain.

A weighing machine, of which Miss Saunders and Miss E. Belyea had the management, proved another fruitful source of revenue; while of course everyone was anxious to try his or her hand at painting butterflies, with the Misses Loewen as instructors.

It is surprising how quickly a good, healthy butterfly can be produced when you only know the way to go about it. Here is the recipe, as furnished the Colonist yesterday by a gentleman who had studied the process from afar: "There is nothing in it," he said; "you just go over to Miss Loewen and give her ten cents. She squeezes two or three drops of oil colors on a bit of paper and then folds it up. It may look like a butterfly when you unfold it—or a dog. You can call it a butterfly anyway, and it may take a prize."

With a half-formed vision of future academy triumphs before him, the Colonist's representative plunged madly into the lists of the Rembrandts and Raphaels. Taking one dime's worth of art instruction, tubs, colors and kind assistance, he was shortly able to see his first painting hung for public admiration—well placed, too, not skied.

Everyone who attends the bazaar to-day will be sure to notice it—it may not be the most perfect, but it is certainly the largest butterfly in the collection, and this surely should count for something with judges of high art. That the painting genius of the scene acknowledges it a good butterfly is evident—for did she not transfix it with a pin, just as Danby might have done, and is this not a greater compliment to the artist's realism than the swallows paid to Zeuxis?

It is fun if it is not high art, this painting of butterflies; and it is worth much more than ten cents to receive the information Miss Loewen so graciously imparts on the primary characteristics of diurnal lepidopterous insects, and more especially those of the rhopaloceros lepidoptera, corresponding to the old Linnean genus Papilio.

The bazaar was formally opened at 3 o'clock in the afternoon by Mrs. McNamee, who, being introduced by Rev. Percival Jenks, congratulated the ladies upon the eminently artistic result of their labors, wished the sale all success, and declared it and the bazaar formally opened. Then the orchestra played "God Save the Queen," and His Honor's consort mustered off all the little folk present for an exploration of the mysterious maze of stalls.

The Beldy family orchestra provided music during the afternoon, while in the evening a promenade concert was the special attraction, Dr. Robertson having the direction of this feature, and the programme being as hereunder: Quartet—The Big Four; song, Miss McNamee; piano solo, Miss V. Powell; song, Mrs. Anderson; song, Mr. James Pilling; song, Mrs. Hunt; violin solo, Mr. E. A. Powell; song, Mr. J. G. Brown.

The reception committee in connection with the bazaar is composed of Mrs. Jenks, president; Mrs. Saunders, vice-president; Mesdames H. P. Bell, Powell, Locke Robertson and J. H. Todd. The bazaar committee includes Rev. Percival Jenks (chairman), Messrs. Henry Saunders and E. Pearson (church wardens), A. L. Belyea, Butler, Chatfield, Blackwood, A. S. Dumbleton, J. F. Foulkes, B. Vander Gucht, Mess. Capt. Monro, Potts, E. Powell, Dr. H. and H. Robertson, S. A. Roberts, J. G. Tarkis and C. F. Todd—with all the ladies holding stalls.

The patrons and patronesses are His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Melnes, His Worship the Mayor and Mrs. Redfern, Sir Henry and Lady Crease, Mrs. Dunsmuir, Major and Mrs. Dupont, Dr. and Mrs. Powell, Mr. C. E. and Mrs. Pooley, Mrs. and the Misses Pemberton, Mrs. Harrington, Major and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Dumbleton, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Todd, Mrs. Locke Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Bell, Hon. and Mrs. P. O'Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. Tarkis, Mr. and Mrs. Belyea, Mr. and Mrs. Blackwood, Mr. and Mrs. Ker, Mrs. Seabrook, Mr. and Mrs. Claxton, and Dr. and Mrs. Crompton.

ALBERNI MINING PROPERTIES.

Alberni, May 10.—(Special)—Col. Hayes, the mining man of this section, accompanied by his manager and George Brown, left for Mineral hill this morning, where Col. Hayes has lately acquired some property. He is a pusher, and things will soon be humming at Mineral hill.

Mr. J. N. S. Williams leaves in the morning for Mineral hill, where he has a force of men working the Consolidated Alberni.

Mr. J. E. Stark, manager of the Beldy Mining Co., and Mr. Charles L. Selz have bonded a group of mineral claims from William Lindsay on Sprout lake.

The Officers

Appointed.

Men Who Are to Administer the
New Liquor License
Law.License Districts Defined by an
Order in Council Issued
Yesterday.

Under authority of the Liquor License act passed at the last session of the legislature, the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council has appointed the following licensing commissioners and inspectors:

ALBERNI LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—George Arbuthnot, Chief of Alberni; Alfred Denis Faber, of Alberni.
Chief License Inspector—C. A. Cox, of Alberni.

COMOX LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Alexander Salmond, of Comox; Corie Spencer, of Comox.
Chief License Inspector—John Thompson, of Union.

NORTH NANAIMO LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Thomas Cowan, of Wellington; Walter Jones, of Wellington.
Chief License Inspector—David Stephenson, of Wellington.

SOUTH NANAIMO LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—David J. Thomas, of Oyster Bay; Patrick Dolan, of Cedar Brook.
Chief License Inspector—M. H. McIndoo, of Northfield.

COWICHAN LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—W. C. Duncan, of Duncan; Edwin Johnson, of Duncan.
Chief License Inspector—James Maitland-Dougall, of Duncan.

SOUTH VICTORIA LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—George Saenger, of Turgoose P. O.; George Dennis, of Cedar Hill.
Chief License Inspector—J. M. Langley, of Victoria.

NORTH VICTORIA LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Walter Copeland, of North Saanich; William T. Collinson, of Mayne Island.
Chief License Inspector—S. H. Hopkins, of Plumper Pass.

RICHMOND LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Nicola Christon, of Vancouver; James Morton Drummond, of Moodyville.
Chief License Inspector—C. S. Campbell, of Vancouver.

DEWDNEY LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Hector Ferguson, of Port Hancoy; John R. Wren, of Mission City.
Chief License Inspector—Frederick Wallace Hughes, of Mission City.

NICOLA LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—D. Green-Armytage, of Contlee P. O.; F. P. Cook, of Granite Creek.
Chief License Inspector—Hugh Hunter, of Granite Creek.

WEST YALE LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—William Teague, of Yale; W. H. Flood, of Hope.
Chief License Inspector—J. F. Sayre, of Lytton.

ASHCROFT LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—F. W. Foster, of Ashcroft; I. Lehman, of Ashcroft.
Chief License Inspector—J. W. Barr, of Ashcroft.

NORTH YALE LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—J. D. Lauder, of Kamloops; R. H. Lee, of Kamloops.
Chief License Inspector—Martin Beattie, of Kamloops.

SOUTHEAST YALE LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—L. W. Stanford, of Pelly; Almsley Mergan, of Camp McKinney.
Chief License Inspector—Chas. Winter, of Camp McKinney.

NORTHEAST YALE LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Fred Billings, of Vernon; C. S. Smith, of Kelowna.
Chief License Inspector—E. C. Simmons, of Vernon.

BOUNDARY CREEK LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—E. Jacobs, of Midway; T. W. Coleman, of Trail.
Chief License Inspector—D. J. Darraugh, of Cascade City.

REVELSTOKE LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—R. B. Atkins, of Revelstoke; Thomas J. Graham, of Revelstoke.
Chief License Inspector—Robert Bullock, of Revelstoke.

AINSWORTH LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Neil F. McKay, of Kaslo; Edward F. Stephenson, of Kaslo.
Chief License Inspector—W. H. Bullock-Webster, of Nelson.

SLOCAN LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Thos. Brown, of Slocan; H. H. Brown, of Slocan.
Chief License Inspector—T. D. DesBrisay, of Robson.

S. E. KOOTENAY LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Andrew B. Grace, of Port Steele; Robert E. Beattie, of Cranbrook.
Chief License Inspector—H. W. Barnes, of Port Steele.

N. E. KOOTENAY LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Charles H. Parson, of Golden; Charles A. Warren, of Golden.
Chief License Inspector—Joshua Strrett, of Donald.

WEST LILLOOET LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Thos. Pearson, of Lillooet; John Marshall, of Lillooet.
Chief License Inspector—L. G. Burns, of Lillooet.

EAST LILLOOET LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Wm. Boyd, of Clinton; William Livingstone, of Savona.
Chief License Inspector—George Mitchell, of Clinton.

ESQUIMALT LICENSE DISTRICT.
License Commissioners—Herbert William Pauline, of Esquimalt; Joseph Atkins, of Parson's Bridge.
Chief License Inspector—Daniel Campbell, of Esquimalt.

All such appointments to take effect on the 12th day of May, instant.

The license districts have been defined as follows:

ALBERNI LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of Alberni electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as Alberni license district.

COMOX LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of Comox electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as Comox license district.

NORTH NANAIMO LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of North Nanaimo electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as North Nanaimo license district.

SOUTH NANAIMO LICENSE DISTRICT.
All those portions of South Nanaimo and Nanaimo city electoral districts not in any municipality, to be known as South Nanaimo license district.

COWICHAN LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of Cowichan electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as Cowichan license district.

SOUTH VICTORIA LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of South Victoria electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as South Victoria license district.

NORTH VICTORIA LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion in North Victoria electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as North Victoria license district.

RICHMOND LICENSE DISTRICT.
All those portions of Richmond and New Westminster city electoral districts not in

any municipality, to be known as Richmond license district.

DEWDNEY LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of Dewdney electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as Dewdney license district.

WEST YALE LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of West Yale electoral district not in any municipality, south of Keefe Station, and draining into the Fraser river below that point, to be known as West Yale license district.

NICOLA LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of West Yale electoral district not in any municipality, draining into the Nicola river for the distance of ten miles from its mouth, and all that portion draining into the Shalkamen river, to be known as Nicola license district.

ASHCROFT LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of West Yale electoral district not in any municipality, and not included in West Yale and Nicola license districts, to be known as Ashcroft license district.

NORTH YALE LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of the north riding of Yale electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as North Yale license district.

SOUTHEAST YALE LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of the east riding of Yale electoral district not in any municipality, and being south of the south end of Lake Okanagan, to be known as Southeast Yale license district.

NORTHEAST YALE LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of the east riding of Yale electoral district not in any municipality, and being north of the south end of Lake Okanagan, to be known as Northeast Yale license district.

BOUNDARY CREEK LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of Rossland riding electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as Boundary Creek license district.

REVELSTOKE LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of Revelstoke riding electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as Revelstoke license district.

AINSWORTH LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of Stocan riding electoral district not in any municipality, and being in the Ainsworth mining division, to be known as Ainsworth license district.

SLOCAN LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of Stocan riding electoral district not in any municipality, and not included in Ainsworth license district, to be known as Slocan license district.

N. E. KOOTENAY LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of the north riding of East Kootenay electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as Northeast Kootenay license district.

S. E. KOOTENAY LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of the south riding of East Kootenay electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as Southeast Kootenay license district.

WEST LILLOOET LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of West Lillooet electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as West Lillooet license district.

EAST LILLOOET LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of East Lillooet electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as East Lillooet license district.

ESQUIMALT LICENSE DISTRICT.
All that portion of Esquimalt electoral district not in any municipality, to be known as Esquimalt electoral district, to come into existence the 12th day of May, instant.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE.

New York, May 10.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, held here to-day, James W. Alexander was elected president in place of Henry B. Hyde, who died recently. James Hyde was elected vice-president, G. Tarbell second vice-president, and George T. Wilson third vice-president.

"Tis Worth a
Bag of Gold."

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